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Hearing: The Secure Border Initiative

Ensuring Effective Implementation and Financial Accountability of SBInet

WHO: Subcommittee on Management, Integration, and Oversight
Chairman Mike Rogers (R-AL)

WHEN: 3 p.m., Wednesday, November 15, 2006

WHERE: 311 Cannon House Office Building

WITNESSES

PANEL I

The Honorable Richard L. Skinner
Inspector General
U.S. Department of Homeland Security

Ms. Deborah J. Spero
Deputy Commissioner
Customs and Border Protection
U.S. Department of Homeland Security

Mr. Gregory L. Giddens
Director
Secure Border Initiative Program
U.S. Department of Homeland Security

Ms. Elaine Duke
Chief Procurement Officer
U.S. Department of Homeland Security

PANEL II

Mr. Jerry W. McElwee
Vice President SBI*net*
Boeing Advanced Systems

Mr. Brian Seagraves
Vice President for Border Security
Unisys

Mr. Tom Müller
General Counsel
L-3 Services Group

BACKGROUND

The Subcommittee on Management, Integration, and Oversight will hold its fourth in a series of hearings examining the Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) illegal entry surveillance and detection systems that are installed along the Nation's borders. This hearing will focus on the new Secure Border Initiative and the criteria used to award the recent SBI*net* contract to Boeing Integrated Defense Systems. The subcommittee will also examine goals and objectives of this new multi-billion, multi-year program, specific technologies used, and how these objectives will be implemented to ensure security along our borders.

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